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CHAPTER 2-
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THIS IS A FAN SCANLATION BY OTOME SCANS PLEASE SUPPOOT THE MANGAKA BY BUYING THIS VOLUME WHEN IT BECOMES LICENSED IN YOUR COUNTRY

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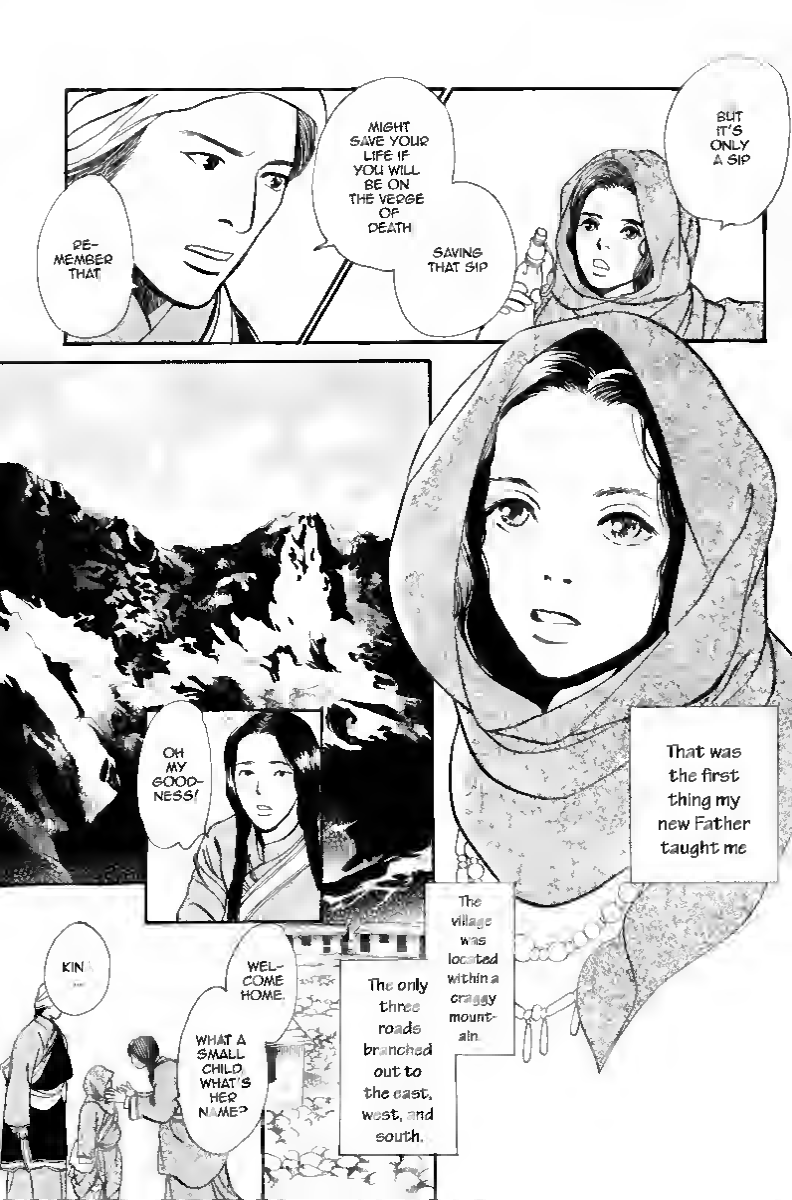
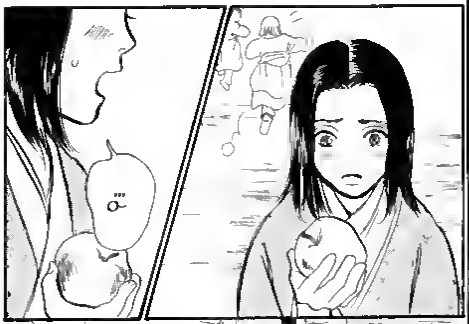
SHE HAS THE FACE OF A SOUTH-ERNER
SHE'S PERFECT WE HAVE A SON WHO'S ABOUT THE SAME AGE
HOW MUCH FOR HER?
30
I'M GUESS-ING SHE'S 10, AT MOST
I DON'T KNOW HOW WELL SUCH A SMALL CHILD WILL FARE
Maaaaa
STOP THAT
YOU CANNOT SAVE A CALF THAT HAS STRAYED FROM ITS MOTHER
BE-SIDES, THAT WATER IS YOURS AND IT WILL LAST YOU FOR THREE DAYS
NO ONE WILL SHARE WITH YOU IF YOU WERE TO RUN OUT
THERE'S NOT MUCH RAINFALL DURING THE DRY SEASON AT OUR DESTINATION


BUT IT'S ONLY A SIP
SAVING THAT SIP
MIGHT SAVE YOUR LIFE IF YOU WILL BE ON THE VERGE OF DEATH
REMEMBER THAT
That was the first thing my new Father taught me
OH MY GOOODNESS!
The village was located within a craggy mountain.
The only three roads branched out to the east, west, and south.
KIN...
WELCOME HOME.
WHAT A SMALL CHILD. WHAT'S HER NAME?

YOU MUST BE EXHAUSTED. HERE, ENJOY
THIS IS QUITE THE TREAT
From what I can recall, I have lived my life travelling from one place to another
This was the first time that I had somewhere I could call home
COME
FROM NOW ON, THIS WILL BE YOUR BEDROOM
In this village, a glass of water was considered a treat.
HUMPH!
SHE HAS A WEIRD FACE!
DOLPA ---
DOLPA, OUR SON, IS TRAINING AT THAT MONASTERY

I DON'T LIKE HER
FIRST OF ALL ISN'T SHE A BANDIT GIRL?
SFX MURMUR
STARE
STARE
My brother, who I met for the first time, said such cruel things to me.
DOLPA!
YOUR FATHER WENT THROUGH SO MUCH TROUBLE TO BUY HER FOR YOU!
SFX: SHOCK
As it turns out he was my fiancé, not my brother
IN THESE MOUNTAINS, THERE ARE NO OTHER GIRLS WHO WILL BE YOUR BRIDE!
OH NO, THIS GIRL ...
What a shock!
DON'T CRY! IF YOU DO, IT WON'T RAIN FOR THE NEXT 2 MONTHS!
DROP
DROP
HOLD IT IN!

It was a harsh environment.
IT'S A SMALL VILLAGE, SO RUMORS SPREAD VERY QUICKLY
TO THINK THAT EVEN DOLPA HEARD OF IT WHILE IN THE MONASTERY
ACCORDING TO THE SLAVE-TRADER WHO SOLD YOU,
YOU WERE LEFT ALL ALONE IN A VILLAGE THAT A HORDE OF BANDITS HAD PASSED THROUGH
DO YOU REMEMBER ANYTHING ABOUT YOUR PARENTS?
EVEN WE DON'T KNOW MUCH ABOUT OURS
YEARS AGO, THIS VILLAGE SERVED AS A STOP-OVER FOR TRADE BETWEEN THE EAST AND WEST
TRAVELLERS OFTEN ABANDONED THEIR CHILDREN HERE AND LEFT
IT DOESN'T MATTER WHO YOU ARE, EVERY PERSON IS SOMEBODY'S CHILD.
THAT ROAD LEADS TO THE SOUTH WHEN WINTER COMES, WE'LL GO AND BARTER FOR ROCK SALT AND WHEAT
YOU HAVE THE FACE OF A SOUTHERNER IT'S PRETTY RARE IN THESE AREAS
THERE IS NOTHING TO WORRY ABOUT ONE DAY, DOLPA WILL COME TO LIKE YOU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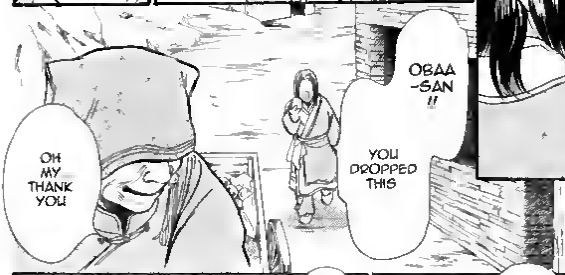
SHUT YOUR TRAP!
YOU'RE A BANDIT GIRL, AREN'T YOU?
SHOVE

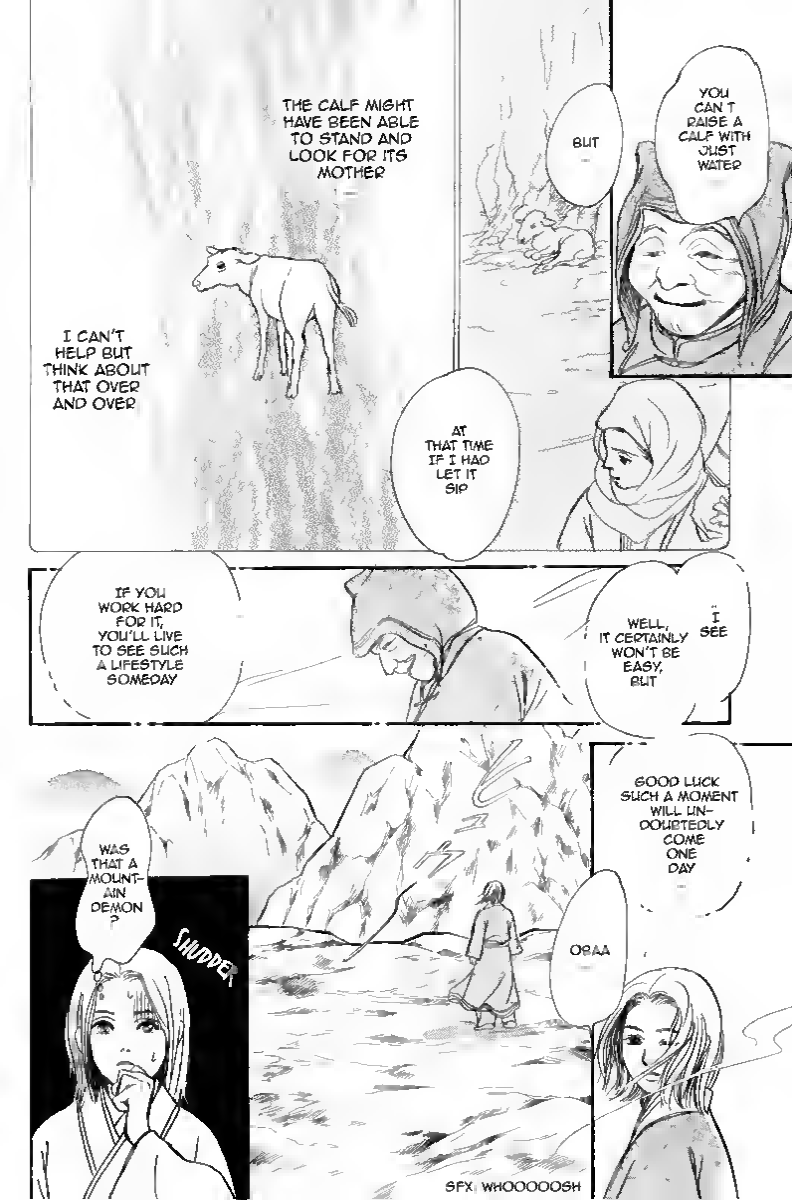

OBAA-SAN!!
YOU DROPPED THIS
OH MY THANK YOU

UM
I'LL HELP PLEASE LET ME PUSH
HUMPH
YOU SAY THAT NOW, BUT I KNOW YOU'LL GET TIRED MIDWAY AND END UP BEING A BURDEN INSTEAD

CRO-
12.
10
12,
MY! I'M SHORT THREE
CROWS PICKED THEM UP I THINK

HMMMM. A WHITE-FACED CROW, PERHAPS?

SFX: CREAK CREAK
I CAME OUT HERE TO PICK MEDICINAL HERBS. THE HERBS HERE WORK BEST FOR UPSET STOMACHS
THANK YOU, YOUNG LADY, WHILE WE'RE HERE, WOULD YOU MIND TELLING ME WHAT YOUR DEEPEST DESIRE IS?
DESIRE...?
WOW... YOU'RE STRONGER THAN YOU LOOK
YOU HAVE THE FACE OF A SOUTHERNER
IN ANOTHER 5 YEARS, YOU'LL BE AS TALL AS A CEDAR TREE
THERE MUST BE SOMETHING, RIGHT? LIKE BECOMING A MILLIONAIRE, OR BECOMING THE BRIDE OF A KING
SFX: CREAK
I'VE NEVER THOUGHT OF DESIRES OR ANYTHING LIKE THAT AT ALL
A PERSON'S NATURE AND PERSONALITY ARE REVEALED WITHIN HER DESIRES. IT'S QUITE INTERESTING
I'LL GIVE IT TO FATHER AND MOTHER,
AND TO ANY TRAVELLERS THAT COME BY
IF THERE'S WATER LEFT OVER, I'LL LET THE CALVES DRINK IT
I can't tell whether you're a seriously girl or not.
Haha
YOU CAN'T DRINK ALL THAT WATER BY YOURSELF
I WANT TO LIVE A LIFE WHEREIN THERE'S AN ENDLESS SUPPLY OF WATER AND I CAN DRINK AS MUCH AS I WANT TO
AH... BUT,


THE CALF MIGHT HAVE BEEN ABLE TO STAND AND LOOK FOR ITS MOTHER
I CAN'T HELP BUT THINK ABOUT THAT OVER AND OVER
BUT...
YOU CAN'T RAISE A CALF WITH JUST WATER
AT THAT TIME IF I HAD LET IT SIP
I SEE...
IF YOU WORK HARD FOR IT, YOU'LL LIVE TO SEE SUCH A LIFESTYLE SOMEDAY
WELL, IT CERTAINLY WON'T BE EASY, BUT
GOOD LUCK SUCH A MOMENT WILL UNDOUBTEDLY COME ONE DAY
OBAA
WAS THAT A MOUNTAIN DEMON?
SHUDDER
SFX: WHOOOOOSH

WAS THAT OBAA-SAN A GOD OF THE MOUNTAINS? OR WAS SHE A MOUNTAIN DEMON...?
KINA
WHAT WERE YOU DOING OUT SO LATE?
I WONDER IF SUCH A TOWN EXISTS
OUT THERE, THERE ARE PEOPLE WITH THE SAME FACE AS ME
IF I GO TO THE WEST, I REACH THE DESERT, IF I GO TO THE EAST I REACH SUIKO, AND IF I GO TO THE SOUTH
"YOU HAVE THE FACE OF A SOUTHERNER"
"SUCH A MOMENT WILL UNDOUBTEDLY..."
ONE OF THESE DAYS
DON'T MAKE ME WORRY
HERE, HAVE A SIP OF WATER
KEEP THIS A SECRET FROM YOUR FATHER
THUD
SFX SQUEEZE
YOUR PARENTS WOULD CRY IF THEY SAW THIS
C'MON, BANDIT GIRL!
BANDIT GIRL!
WHAT'S WRONG? THE BULLS GETTING AWAY
MOOOO...
WAHAHA!
SFX WAAAAH!
わあっ
SFX TOSS!

AS EXPECTED OF THE BANDIT GIRL.
SUCH AMAZING STRENGTH
ONE DAY, I'LL GIVE THAT SIP
MOOOOO
SQUEEZE
AND I'LL GIVE EVERYONE AN ENDLESS SUPPLY OF WATER!
SIR
IF YOU'RE GOING TO TRAVEL THROUGH THE MOUNTAIN PASS, WOULD YOU LIKE TO RIDE MY BULL?
I'M ON A RETURN TRIP, SO I'LL ONLY CHARGE YOU A COPPER COIN
THAT'S PRETTY RARE AROUND THESE PARTS
UWAAAH, THAT CATTLE HERDER IS HUGE
HM? ISN'T THIS GUY A BANDIT...?
I DON'T MIND IF YOU CAN KEEP UP, THAT IS
I'VE HEARD THAT THIS AREA CAN BE QUITE DANGEROUS
I HAVE NO MONEY BUT CAN I TRAVEL ALONG WITH YOU THROUGH THE MOUNTAIN PASS?
NO, I GUESS NOT. A BANDIT WOULDN'T CARRY SUCH A CONSPICUOUS SWORD.
HUH?

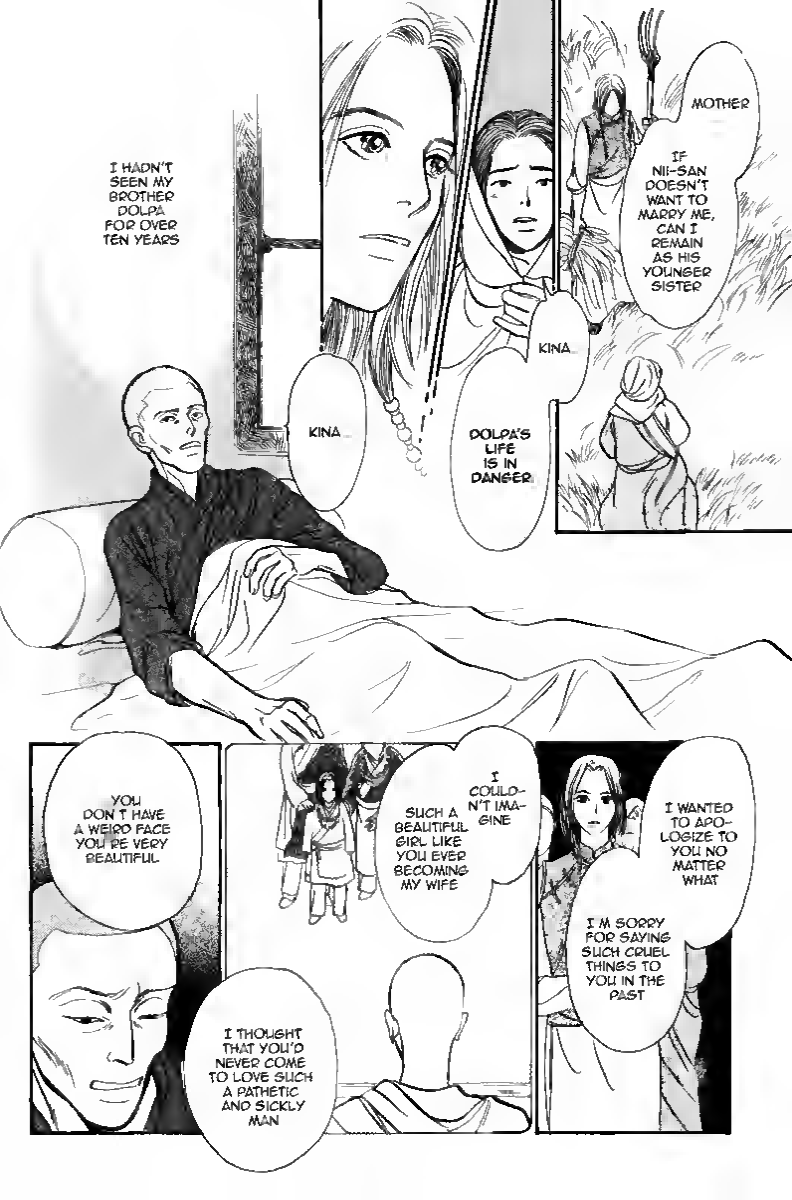
NO, I'M OKAY
THANKS, KINA
HUHH?
OHH?
YOU'RE A WOMAN?
KERIM IF YOU'RE IN A HURRY, DO YOU WANT ANY HELP WITH THAT LUGGAGE?
That was close
KINA'S BULLS ARE VERY FAST
IF WE'RE NOT CAREFUL, SHE'LL CARRY OFF OUR CUSTOMERS
I GREW TALL LIKE A MONASTERY TOWER, LET ALONE A CEDAR TREE
RIGHT AROUND THE TIME I TURNED 10,
WAS THAT OBAA-SAN A MOUNTAIN DEMON AFTER ALL?
Some kind of growth spurt
COULD IT BE A CURSE?
DOES THIS VILLAGE HAVE AN INN?
HUH?
THANK YOU. I'LL CHECK IT OUT
YEAH THAT WHITE HOUSE OVER THERE
KINA, WELCOME HOME
AND I THOUGHT HE WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO KEEP UP EVEN THOUGH HE'S SO SMALL

EVER SINCE THAT TIME, I HAVEN'T SEEN MY BROTHER DOLPA.
SURE
GOT IT
KINA...
WE'D LIKE YOU TO VISIT THE MONASTERY AGAIN
HE HAS ALWAYS LIVED IN THE MONASTERY IN SECLUSION.
AND HE CONTINUES TO REFUSE TO BE WED WITH ME.
WELL...
HOW DID IT GO?
"SHE HAS A WEIRD FACE." "SHE'S TOO TALL."
FUU...
IT WAS THE SAME ANSWER AS USUAL.
FROM ONE OF THE MONASTERY'S NUMEROUS WINDOWS,
DOLPA IS WATCHING ME.
FATHER MOTHER
I'M SORRY

NO WE SHOULD BE THE ONES APOLOGIZING
KINA...
DOLPA JUST ISN'T FEELING TOO WELL.
YOU SHOULD GO AHEAD AND FIND A MORE BEAUTIFUL BRIDE FOR NII-SAN. I'LL WORK ON EARNING THE BETROTHAL MONEY!
JUST LIKE THAT OBAA-SAN PREDICTED, I GREW VERY TALL, BUT
SFX: THUD!
THEY'RE ATTACKING THAT TRAVELER!
OH NO! BANDITS...!
HOW RARE. THERE ARE PEOPLE COMING FROM THE WESTERN ROAD.
WAIT?
EYAAA?

GIVE ME WATER
TCH
HMPH, THIS GUY'S NOT CARRYING ANYTHING VALUABLE AT ALL HEY LET'S GET OUT OF HERE!
WHAT SHOULD I DO? THERE'S SO MUCH BLOOD
UMM.. HANG IN THERE
UGHH
PLEASE
WATER
UNDER-STOOD.. WAIT RIGHT HERE
I'LL
I'LL BRING SOME RIGHT AWAY
I BRO-UGHT IT
HERE'S THE WATER
I HAVE MY SHARE OF WATER FOR TOMORROW.
IF I GIVE HIM THAT...
HE'S GONE..
WHERE DID HE GO?

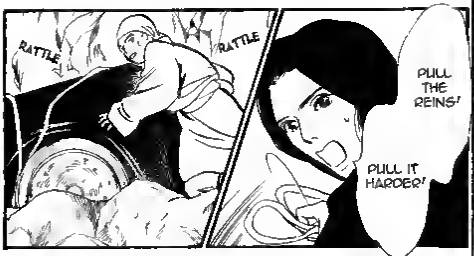
DID SOMEBODY SAVE HIM?
OR MAYBE
THE BANDITS CAME BACK, AND TOOK HIM?...
SFX: CLATTER!
AH!
ROLL
A DREAM
KINA...
DOLPA WOULD LIKE TO SEE YOU

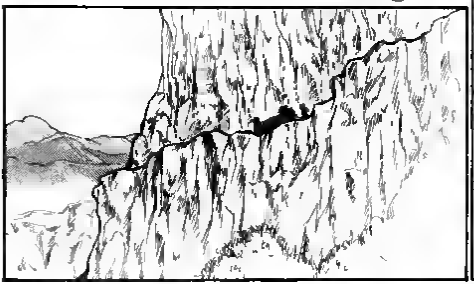

I HADN'T SEEN MY BROTHER DOLPA FOR OVER TEN YEARS
KINA...
DOLPA'S LIFE IS IN DANGER
KINA...
MOTHER
IF NII-SAN DOESN'T WANT TO MARRY ME, CAN I REMAIN AS HIS YOUNGER SISTER
I WANTED TO APOLOGIZE TO YOU NO MATTER WHAT
I'M SORRY FOR SAYING SUCH CRUEL THINGS TO YOU IN THE PAST
I COULDN'T IMAGINE SUCH A BEAUTIFUL GIRL LIKE YOU EVER BECOMING MY WIFE
I THOUGHT THAT YOU'D NEVER COME TO LOVE SUCH A PATHETIC AND SICKLY MAN
YOU DON'T HAVE A WEIRD FACE YOU'RE VERY BEAUTIFUL

DOLPA...!
GO AND BE WITH A MAN THAT'S ACTUALLY WORTHY OF YOU
THAT'S ALL I WANTED TO SAY!
... HURRY AND LEAVE.
FATHER
WAS THE MONASTERY A HOSPITAL?
MONKS ARE ALSO TEACHERS AND DOCTORS
EVER SINCE HE WAS A CHILD, DOLPA HAS ALWAYS HAD A WEAK BODY
HE WAS ALWAYS SICK
ACCORDING TO THE MONK
HE PROBABLY WON'T LAST MORE THAN 2 OR 3 DAYS
HIS ONLY JOY IN LIFE WAS OCCASIONALLY LOOKING OUT THE WINDOW AND GAZING AT YOU.
HE HAS ALWAYS LOVED YOU.
THERE ARE TRAVELERS COMING FROM THE WEST!
HOW RARE ARE THERE STILL PEOPLE LIVING ON THE OTHER SIDE?

I'VE HEARD THAT THE MOUNTAIN PASS BEYOND HERE IS VERY STEEP
WE ABANDONED OUR HORSES AT THE FOOT OF THE MOUNTAIN AND CARRIED IT ALL THE WAY HERE BY HAND
I'D LIKE TO HAVE SOMEBODY CARRY THIS BOX ALL THE WAY TO SUIKO
CAN'T WE JUST TAKE OUT WHATEVER'S INSIDE AND CARRY IT?
SIR, THE DESCENT IS EVEN MORE DANGEROUS
WHOA! THIS IS REALLY HEAVY!
WHAT A GIANT BOX
THERE MUST BE TREASURE INSIDE
SORRY, BUT THAT'S JUST IMPOSSIBLE
WE REFUSE AS WELL
UNACCEPTABLE! I NEED TO HAVE THE BOX CARRIED AS WELL
IF YOU PAY, I'LL ACCEPT YOUR JOB.
I'M GOING TO NEED PAYMENT UPFRONT
TRY ASKING KINA
ONLY SOMEONE LIKE THE BANDIT GIRL WOULD TAKE ON SUCH AN INSANE JOB

KINA !
IT'S TOO DANGEROUS
BESIDES, DO YOU KNOW HOW LONG IT TAKES TO REACH SUIKO!?
THIS IS FOR DOLPA'S BETROTHAL MONEY !
TELL HIM THAT YOU'LL USE THIS TO FIND HIM A LOVELY BRIDE
I'LL HURRY AND COME BACK HOME!
PEOPLE DON'T DIE RIGHT AWAY JUST BECAUSE THEY RE READY TO DIE, RIGHT?
SHOW HIM THE MONEY AND TELL HIM TO CHEER UP.
I WANTED YOU TO GO AND SAY GOODBYE, BUT
HE'S BEEN ASLEEP SINCE YESTERDAY
KINA
BE CAREFUL OUT THERE
DOLPA WILL DIE BEFORE I RETURN HOME
HE HAS ALREADY BID ME FAREWELL.
UNDERSTOOD? UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES
PROMISE ME ONE THING
YOU MUST NEVER OPEN THIS BOX
THIS IS PROBABLY THE END

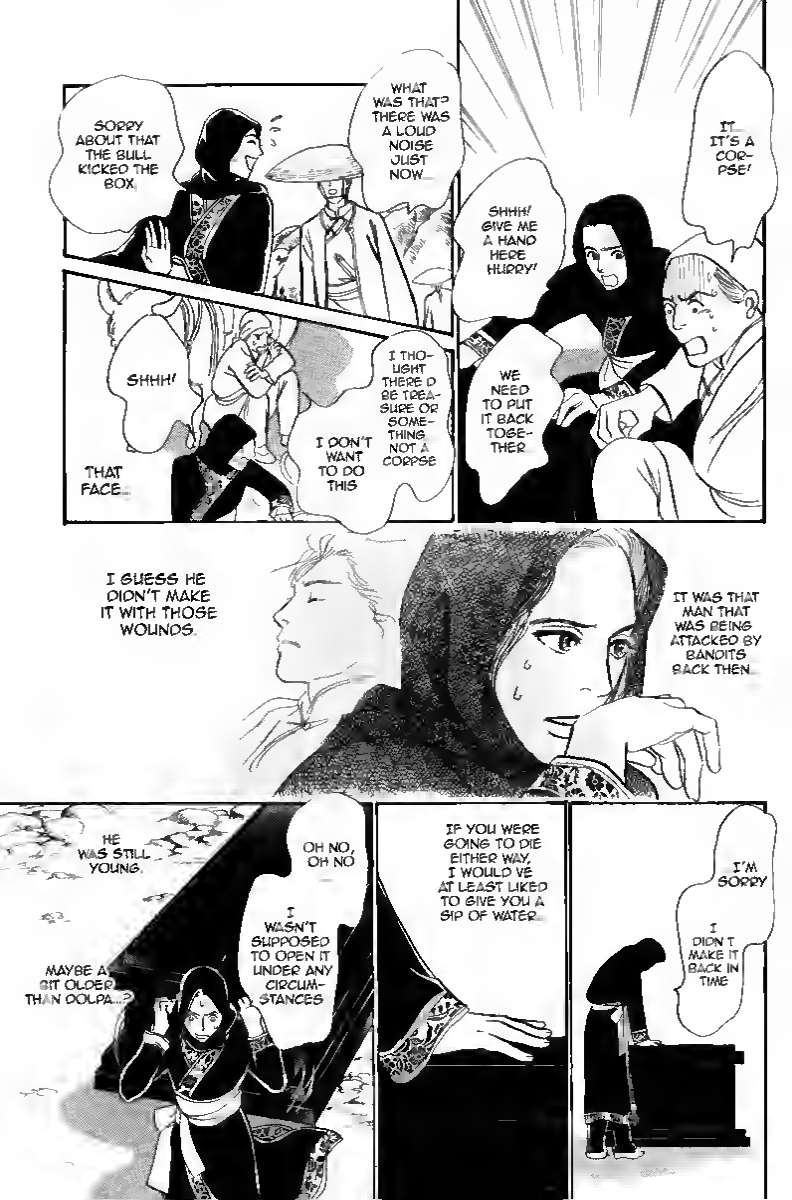

RATTLE
RATTLE
PULL THE REINS!
PULL IT HARDER!

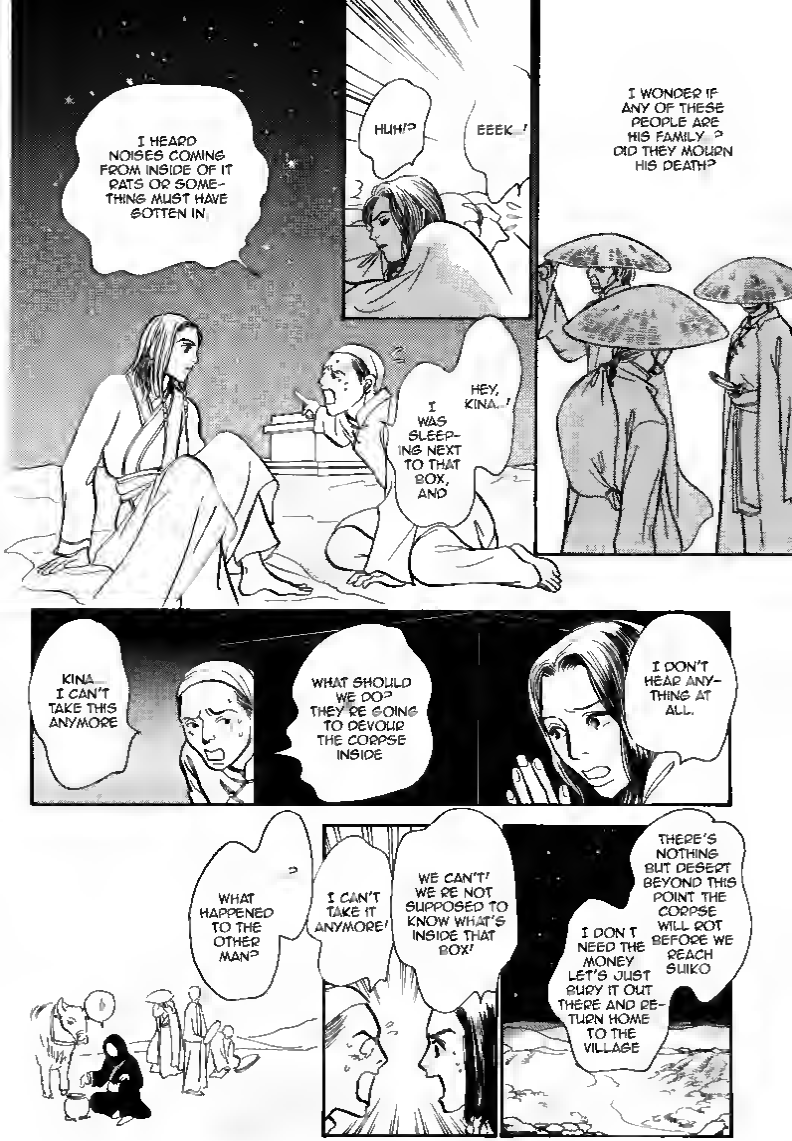


...HEY, WHAT DO YOU THINK IS IN THIS BOX?
THOSE GUYS LOOKED PRETTY WELL DRESSED, SO IT'S GOTTA BE...—
KEEP YOUR EYES ON THE PATHWAY! THE MOST DANGEROUS PART IS COMING UP AHEAD.

SFX: THUD!
AH!
BE CARE-FUL...!
I CAN'T KEEP UP AT...

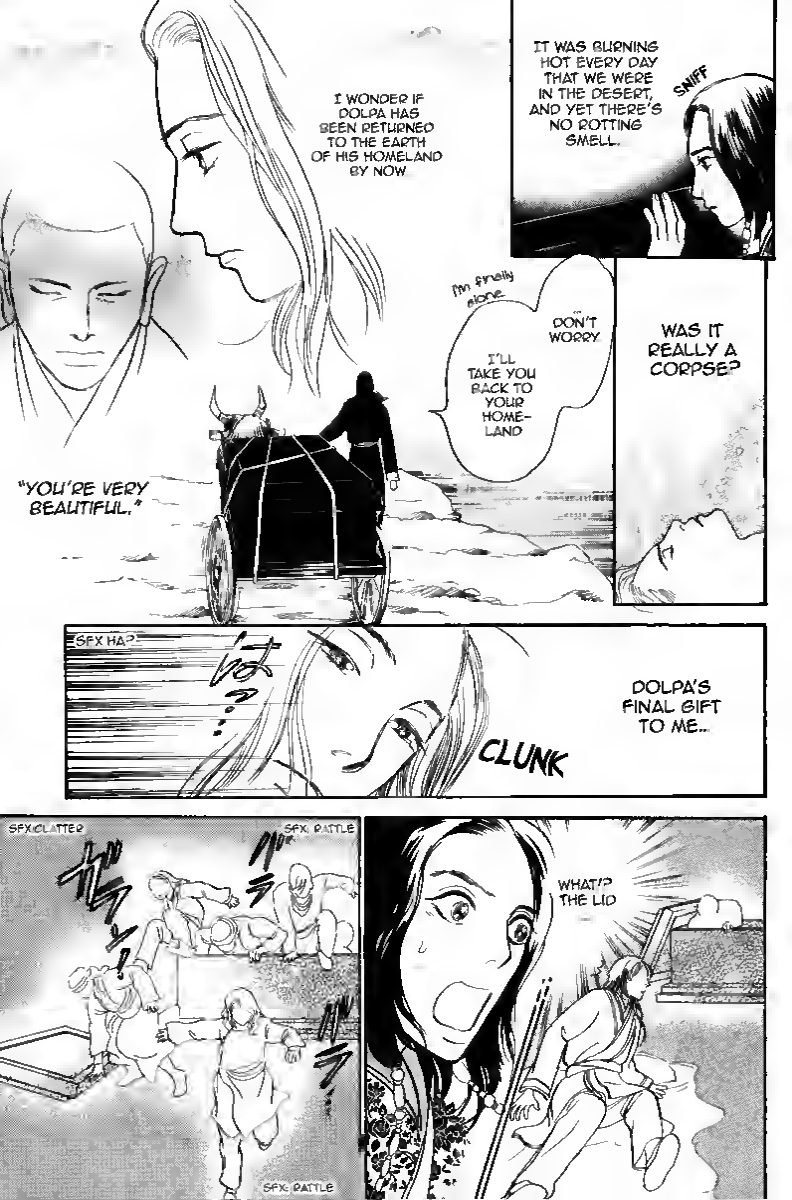
THE ROAD TOMORROW WILL BE FLAT, BUT EX-TREMELY NARROW
GIVE ME A BREAK I THOUGHT I WAS GOING TO DIE BANDIT GIRLS ARE LIKE A DIFFERENT BREED


SORRY ABOUT THAT THE BULL KICKED THE BOX.
WHAT WAS THAT? THERE WAS A LOUD NOISE JUST NOW...
IT... IT'S A COR-PSE!
SHHH! GIVE ME A HAND HERE HURRY!
SHHH!
I THOUGHT THERE'D BE TREASURE OR SOMETHING. NOT A CORPSE
I DON'T WANT TO DO THIS
WE NEED TO PUT IT BACK TOGETHER
THAT FACE...
I GUESS HE DIDN'T MAKE IT WITH THOSE WOUNDS.
IT WAS THAT MAN THAT WAS BEING ATTACKED BY BANDITS BACK THEN...
HE WAS STILL YOUNG.
OH NO, OH NO
I WASN'T SUPPOSED TO OPEN IT UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES
MAYBE A BIT OLDER THAN OOLPA...?
IF YOU WERE GOING TO DIE EITHER WAY, I WOULD'VE AT LEAST LIKED TO GIVE YOU A SIP OF WATER...
I'M SORRY
I DIDN'T MAKE IT BACK IN TIME


I HEARD NOISES COMING FROM INSIDE OF IT RATS OR SOMETHING MUST HAVE GOTTEN IN
HUH!?
EEEK...!
I WONDER IF ANY OF THESE PEOPLE ARE HIS FAMILY ? DID THEY MOURN HIS DEATH?
HEY, KINA...!
I WAS SLEEPING NEXT TO THAT BOX, AND
KINA... I CAN'T TAKE THIS ANYMORE
WHAT SHOULD WE DO? THEY'RE GOING TO DEVOUR THE CORPSE INSIDE
I DON'T HEAR ANYTHING AT ALL.
WHAT HAPPENED TO THE OTHER MAN?
I CAN'T TAKE IT ANYMORE!
WE CAN'T! WE'RE NOT SUPPOSED TO KNOW WHAT'S INSIDE THAT BOX!
I DON'T NEED THE MONEY LET'S JUST BURY IT OUT THERE AND RETURN HOME TO THE VILLAGE
THERE'S NOTHING BUT DESERT BEYOND THIS POINT THE CORPSE WILL ROT BEFORE WE REACH SUIKO

ARE THERE STILL POPULATED TOWNS OVER THERE?
HEY... WHAT PART OF THE WEST DID YOU GUYS COME FROM?
WE'LL BE FINE! FROM HERE ON OUT IT'S ALL FLATLANDS UNTIL SUIKO, SO I CAN DO IT BY MYSELF
BE-YOND THE DESERT...?
WE CAME FROM A PLACE FAR BEYOND THAT
WEST?
HAVEN'T REALLY BEEN DRINKING ANY WATER SINCE WE DEPARTED
SUIKO IS OUR HOMELAND
I'VE NEVER HEARD OF SUCH A PLACE
NOW THAT I THINK ABOUT IT, THESE PEOPLE...
I'VE SPOTTED A RIVER!
THEY APPEAR NO DIFFERENT FROM HUMANS, BUT THEY CAN LIVE WITHOUT EATING OR DRINKING
INSTEAD, THEY EAT HUMANS I THINK THAT WAS IT?
ACTUALLY, I THINK I'VE HEARD SOME-THING LIKE THAT BEFORE
CREATURES OTHER THAN MOUNTAIN DEMONS
CALLED "OGRES."

"IF YOU WORK HARD AT IT, YOU'LL LIVE TO BE ABLE TO SEE SUCH A LIFESTYLE ONE DAY"
INCREDIBLE... IS THIS ALL WATER?
AN ENDLESS SUPPLY OF WATER EVERYDAY. I COULD SPEND A LIFETIME DRINKING AND I'D NEVER BE ABLE TO DRINK IT ALL.
IT'S EXACTLY LIKE THAT OBAA-SAN SAID...
GOOD WE'LL BE THERE VERY SOON IF WE GO BY BOAT
SET THAT BOX OUT OF MY BOAT! I CAN'T CARRY SUCH A HEAVY BOX!
NO! NO!
UWAAAAH! STOP! THE BOAT WILL SINK!
SFX: SPLASH!
WE'RE COUNTING ON YOU!
UNDER-STOOD? UNDER NO CIRCUM-STANCES ARE YOU TO OPEN THAT BOX
UNDER NO CIRCUM-STANCES
IF YOU FOLLOW THIS RIVER, YOU'LL QUICKLY REACH SUIKO.
WE'LL GO AHEAD OF YOU AND TRAVEL TO SUIKO BY BOAT


I WONDER IF DOLPA HAS BEEN RETURNED TO THE EARTH OF HIS HOMELAND BY NOW
IT WAS BURNING HOT EVERY DAY THAT WE WERE IN THE DESERT, AND YET THERE'S NO ROTTING SMELL.
SNIFF
I'm finally alone
DON'T WORRY
I'LL TAKE YOU BACK TO YOUR HOME-LAND
WAS IT REALLY A CORPSE?
"YOU'RE VERY BEAUTIFUL."
SFX HA?
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DOLPA'S FINAL GIFT TO ME..
CLUNK
SFX:CLATTER
SFX: RATTLE
SFX: RATTLE
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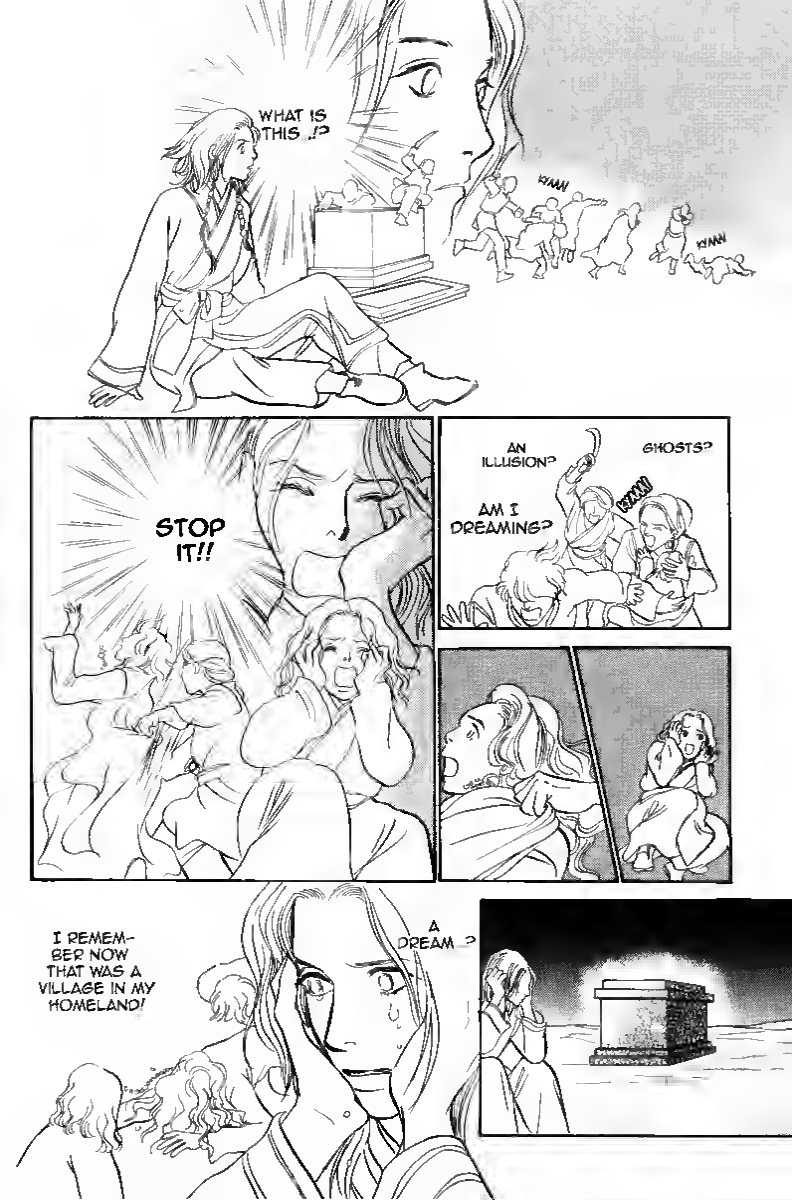
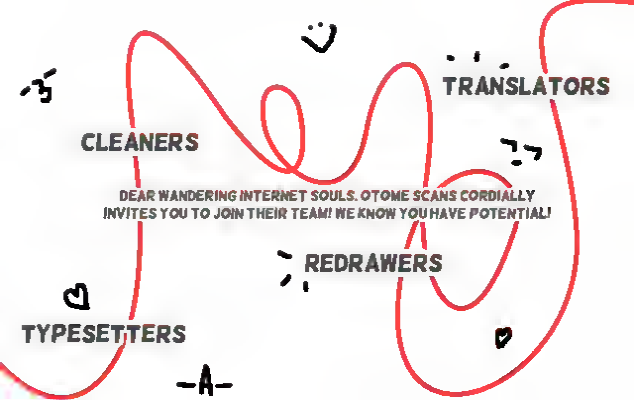

WHAT IS THIS..!?
KYAAA
KYAAA
STOP IT!!
AN ILLUSION?
GHOSTS?
AM I DREAMING?
KYAAA
I REMEMBER NOW THAT WAS A VILLAGE IN MY HOMELAND!
A DREAM..?


TRANSLATORS
CLEANERS
DEAR WANDERING INTERNET SOULS. OTOME SCANS CORDIALLY INVITES YOU TO JOIN THEIR TEAM! WE KNOW YOU HAVE POTENTIAL!
REDRAWERS
TYPESETTERS
-A-